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Amy Hensley to: Joanne Negron

Cc: David Hockey

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Ms. Negron,

I just received your email regarding soil samples containing 0.04-0.09 mg/kg PCBs. I work in the EPA's Office of Solid Waste, which is responsible for the cleanup and **disposal** of PCBs under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

I can't really tell you if the marshland is "clean" or not. I can explain what the TSCA regulations say about PCB-containing soil. The definition of **PCB Remediation Waste** (40 CFR 761) determines when contaminated soil is regulated. Soil containing PCBs less than 1 mg/kg is not regulated. Soil that is regulated has to be removed down to 1 mg/kg for unrestricted use of the site. So, your soil samples wouldn't be considered regulated under TSCA.

If you want information on risk-based cleanup levels of PCBs in soils, you can look at this website: <http://www.epa.gov/region09/waste/sfund/prg/index.html> This site describes Preliminary Remediation Goals (PRGs) that the EPA Region 9 Superfund program and others use as cleanup levels.

Hopefully this helps. Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,
Amy


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thanks john.

Amy -- can you get back to this grad student. thanks.

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Dave,

I think that this is yours now.

John

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Joanne Negron
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04/20/2008 06:30 PM

To Johnh Smith/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
cc
Subject I need help with PCBs

Greetings, I am a student of Masters Degree of the Metropolitan University in Puerto Rico. In the month of May I will be defending my thesis. The subject of my thesis is the effects of the PCB's in the Las Cucharillas Marshland. I took 12 soil samples and sent to analyze to a private laboratory, they have licensed to operate in Puerto Rico and in the USA. I have some doubt in the interpretation of sample results. The averages of my samples are 0.04 to 0.09 mg/kg. Can I conclude that this Marshland is a clean area of PCB? I need to know what are the parameters for PCB in soil?

Thanks for the help that you can provide me.

Sincerely,

Joanne Negrón

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